



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook September 6 - 12, 2018

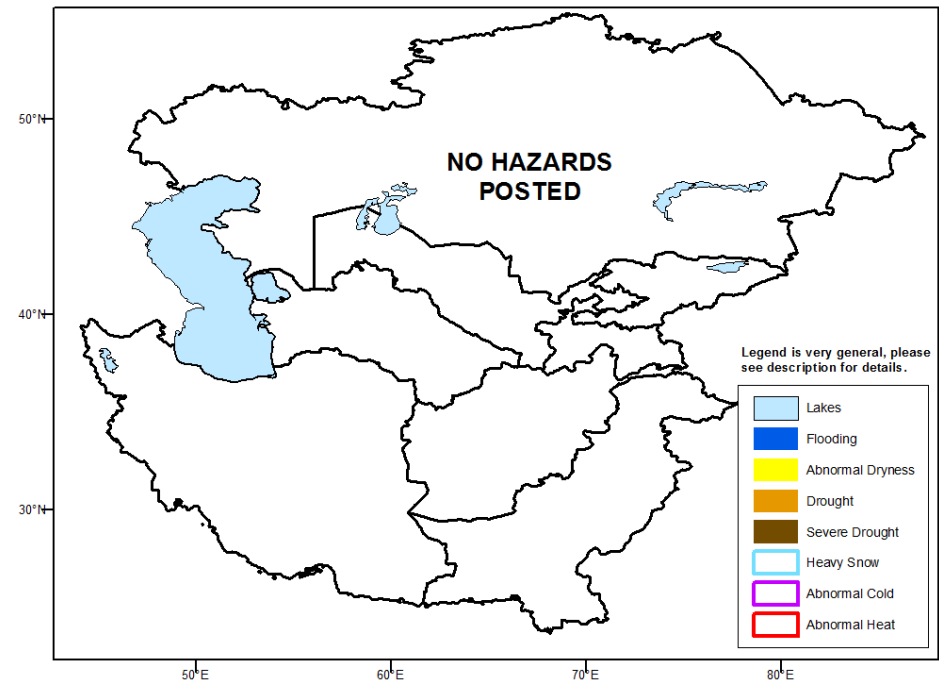
Temperatures:

Weekly temperatures averaged 1 to 5 degrees C below normal across the region from August 26 to September 1. Minimum temperatures ranged from 0 to 5 degrees across northern Kazakhstan where isolated areas had their first freeze of the season. Temperatures are forecast to remain below-normal across Kazakhstan through early to mid-September, while above-normal temperatures are expected across Afghanistan and Tajikistan. Subfreezing minimum temperatures are forecast across northern Kazakhstan and the higher elevations of northeast Afghanistan and Tajikistan during the next week.

Precipitation

Widespread rainfall (locally more than 50 mm) continued for the second consecutive week across northern and eastern Kazakhstan. Thunderstorms, associated with the Indian Monsoon, shifted east with mostly dry weather prevailing across Pakistan during the final week of August. During the past 30 days, precipitation has averaged at or above normal according to gauge observations.

Light to moderate rain (less than 25 mm) is expected to be limited to northeast Kazakhstan. Dry weather, typical for September, is forecast to prevail across the remainder of the region.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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